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SUBJECT: STAG NOMINEE WILLIAM SMITH

REF: STATE 140277; BATOR/LE BLANC MEMO OF 6/25/74

1. INVIEW OF SMITH'S PLANNED ATTENDANCE STRUGA FESTIVAL, PRESUME POST DOES NOT INTEND REQUEST STAG FOR ANY OF AMERICAN POETS LISTED IN REF MEMO. PLEASE ADVISE.

2. SMITH'S TENTATIVE ITINERARY AS FOLLOWS: AUGUST 25 ARRIVES BELGRADE FROM ATHENS VIA JU 441; DEPARTS SAME DAY FOR SKOPJE VIA JU 762. AUGUST 29 DEPARTS SKOPJE FOR BELGRADE VIA JU 761; DEPARTS SAME DAY FOR FRANKFURT VIA JU 352.

3. PLEASE ADVISE BESTWAYFOR SMITHTOTRAVELSKOPJE-STRUGA AND RETURN. PRESUME IT MUST BE BY BUS OR TRAIN. WOULDAPPRECIATEPOST MAKING TRAVEL RESERVATIONS FOR SMITH AND WIFE IF REQUIRED.

4. FYI: SMITH IS FRIEND OF YUGOSLAV POET VASKO POPA AND HOPES TO MEET WITH POPA DURING STAY IN YUGOSLAVIA. POUCHING FURTHER BIO DATA ON SMITH C/O CAO. KISSINGER

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